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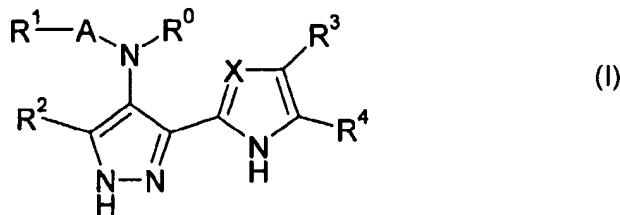
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(57) **Abstract:** The invention provides compounds having activity as inhibitors of cyclin dependent kinases, glycogen synthase kinase-3 and Aurora kinases for use in the treatment of disease states and conditions such as cancer that are mediated by the kinases. The compounds have the general formula (I); wherein X is CR⁵ or N; A is a bond or -(CH₂)_m-(B)_n-; B is C=O, NR⁶(C=O) or O(C=O) wherein R⁶ is hydrogen or C₁₋₄ hydrocarbyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or C₁₋₄ alkoxy; m is 0, 1 or 2; n is 0 or 1; R⁹ is hydrogen or, together with NR⁶ when present, forms a group -(CH₂)_p- wherein p is 2 to 4; R¹ is hydrogen, a carbocyclic or heterocyclic group having from 3 to 12 ring members, or an optionally substituted C₁₋₈ hydrocarbyl group; R² is hydrogen, halogen, methoxy, or a C₁₋₄ hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxyl or methoxy; R³ and R⁴ together with the carbon atoms to which they are attached form an optionally substituted fused carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring having from 5 to 7 ring members of which up to 3 can be heteroatoms selected from N, O and S; and R⁵ is hydrogen, a group R² or a group R¹⁰ wherein R¹⁰ is selected from halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, mono- or di-C₁₋₄ hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, X¹C(X²), C(X²)X¹, X¹C(X²)X¹, S, SO, SO₂, NR^c, SO₂NR^c or NR^cSO₂; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members, and a C₁₋₈ hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, mono- or di-C₁₋₄ hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C₁₋₈ hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO₂, NR^c, X¹C(X²), C(X²)X¹ or X¹C(X²)X¹; R^c is selected from hydrogen and C₁₋₄ hydrocarbyl; and X¹ is O, S or NR^c and X² is =O, =S or =NR^c. Also included within formula (I) are the salts, solvates and N-oxides of the compounds.

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